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SOFIA FOR NARCOTICS COORDINATOR SIMPSON FROM WALTZ;  
PARIS FOR DEA; ROME FOR CUSTOMS ATTACHE; DEA HQS FOR  
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SUBJECT: GFXA-75-8013, BULGARIA

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1. DURING OB VISIT OF NARCOTICS ATTACHE WALTZ TO WASHINGTON,  
DC DEQ HQS., ARRANGEMENTS WERE MADE WITH US CUSTOMS HQS. FOR  
BRIEF MEETING OF WALTZ AND AUSTRIAN CHIEF OF CENTRAL NARCOTICS  
DEPT. DR. ERNST HOFFMANN WITH BULGARIAN CUSTOMS DIRECTOR  
GENERAL BONEV AND CHIEF OF NARCOTICS SUPPRESSION DIVISION  
ZVETKOV. BULGARIAN COLLEAGUES EXPRESSED PLEASURE AT  
OPPORTUNITY TO MEET AND DISCUSS CURRENT NARCOTICS CONTROL  
SITUATION IN EUROPE AS WELL AS THEIR PROGRAM ITINERARY IN U.S.

2. WALTZ USED OPPORTUNITY OF THIS MEETING AT U.S. CUSTOMS TO  
PRAISE BULGARIAN CUSTOMS FOR NEAR RECORD NARCOTICS SEIZURES

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THIS YEAR AND TO CITE AUG 10, 1976 SEIZURE OF 1500 KILOS

HASHISH PLUS SEVEN KILOS OPIUM AT KALOTINA AS EXAMPLE OF EFFICIENT BULGARIAN CUSTOMS INSPECTION. PHOTOS OF TRUCKS AND SEIZURE PROVIDED BY ZVETKOV DURING OCTOBER MEETING IN SOFIA WERE EXHIBITED AND EXPLAINED BY ZVETKOV.

3. BONEV AND ZVETKOV RELATED THEIR PLANS TO ATTEND DEC 6-10 UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE OF POLICE AND CUSTOMS NARCOTICS ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS IN GENEVA. THIS CONFERENCE IS FOLLOW-UP OF VIENNA CONFERENCE OF JUNE 1975, AND IS ANTICIPATED BY BULGARIANS AS OCCASION FOR PROPOSING CERTAIN AGREEMENTS WITH EUROPEAN CUSTOMS AND POLICE AGENCIES RELATIVE TO INSPECTION OF SOME SUSPECT TRUCKS AT DELIVERY SITES. ZVETKOV ALSO EXPRESSED OPINION THAT VIENNA AREA IS LOCATION FOR INCREASING INSTANCES OF HASHISH TRANSFERS.

4. ITINERARY FOR BONEV AND ZVETKOV, AS ESCORTED BY US CUSTOMS SPECIAL AGENT JAMES I. HUBERT FROM SAN FRANCISCO CUSTOMS OFFICE, WAS WASHDC TO MIAMI TO SEATTLE TO SAN FRANCISCO TO SAN DIEGO TO NEW YORK. THEY ANTICIPATE RETURNING TO SOFIA ON NOV. 27.

5. ON LEAVING, BONEV AND ZVETKOV BOTH EXPRESSED THEIR PLEASURE THAT THIS MEETING WITH WALTZ COULD BE ARRANGED IN U.S. BONEV ASKED THAT WALTZ CONTINUE CONTACTS THROUGH FUTURE MESSAGES AND VISITS TO SOFIA. DECONTROL UPON RECEIPT. BUCHANAN

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